

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
CITY OF LINCOLN
MINUTES DECEMBER 6, 2017 MEETING

ATTENDEES: Committee - Jim Datzman, Dave Fear, Alex Floyd, Dan Gilliam, Paul Harrison, Tim Monelo, Richard Moore, Roger Ueltzen & Kelly Velasco **Staff** – Scott Boynton, Doug Brown & Jennifer Hanson **Council Representative** - Gabriel Hydrick

GUESTS: Mandy Miller, Kris Wyatt, Larry Wyatt, Gary Eide & Mike Cochrane

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COMMITTEE

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 6, 2017 meeting minutes approved unanimously

5. PRESENTATIONS

FRIENDS OF MCBEAN PARK – Kris Wyatt updated the committee on the status of the Friends of McBean program. The Friends are waiting for the completion of the Stadium exterior design to begin fund raising. The Friends meet on the first Monday of every month at 9am at City Hall.

ITEMS DISCUSSED AND ACTION NOTED:

6. STAFF UPDATES

- A. MCBEAN DOG PARK (Jennifer Hanson) – Jennifer reported that the Chambers Leadership Group was going to take on the project with a proposal to the City Council in January with a target completion date of May, 2018.
- B. CREEKSIDE PARK (Jennifer Hanson) – Jennifer reported that at there are ongoing discussions with the school district that involve both this project and the planned Lincoln South Crossing elementary school – combo deal – on the back burner right now.
- C. FUTURE DISC GOLF COURSE (Jennifer Hanson) – Jennifer reported that the City has spoken to the land owners regarding the City buying the land (which is in a flood plain) – but right now they are asking too much. Funding for the land acquisition would come from the Oak Tree Mitigation Fund.
- D. NO-SMOKING ORDINANCE (Jennifer Hanson) – Jennifer reported that the City Council had approved the ordinance and that staff is in the process of informing park users of the new ordinance and preparing signs to be placed in the parks.
- E. VILLAGE 5 MOU (Jennifer Hanson) – Jennifer reported that the City Council has approved the MOU which now opens the door for the City, Richland and Placer United to work out a final joint-use agreement.
- F. FIELD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM – 2018 (Doug Brown) – Doug presented the 2018 Field Sponsorship Program and passed out copies of same. The program now includes a 20% for renewals. The program raised ~\$7,500 this year, some of which was spent on shade covers for the 8 dugouts at Fosskett Regional Park.

- G. MAYORS CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT (Doug Brown) – Doug reported that the event netted \$15,400 which will be added to the Scholarship Fund.
- H. FOSKETT REGIONAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS (Scott Boynton) – Scott reported that all planned improvements (new restroom, new shade trees, etc. have been completed except for the bleacher shading. There is not enough money left in the PVT Grant to cover the cost – but Scott indicated that PVT might be willing to provide some additional funds.
- I. TRAIL ASSESSMENT/RECOMMENDATIONS (Scott Boynton) – Scott reported that benches have been placed along the various trails (thanks to an Eagle Scout) but that the signage efforts are currently on the back-burner. Scott also said that his folks are in the process of placing some distance markers on the trails.
- J. MCBEAN STADIUM DUGOUT REPOSITIONING (Scott Boynton) – will be completed by the end of January, 2018.
- K. MCBEAN LITTLE LEAGUE BACKSTOP REPLACEMENT (Scott Boynton) – to be done in August, 2018 right after the Little League season is over.

8: COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

- A. 2017 YEAR END REPORT (Roger Ueltzen) – the assessment summary was passed out and discussed. If anyone has additions or deletions please send them to Roger.
- B. 2018 PROPOSED GOALS (Richard Moore) - Richard presented the 2018 proposed goals. A couple of additional goal suggestions were made – as follows:
 - Mike Cochrane (guest) asked that the addition of a handicapped accessible playground be discussed and considered for addition to the Master Plan
 - Kelly Velasco said she was very interested in addressing parks for the underserved areas. Roger suggested that the committee take a look at *THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND 10-MINUTE WALK TO A PARK CAMPAIGN* – see tpl.org/10minutewalk – which could be the vehicle for addressing this issue.
- C. HOMELESS DISCUSSION (Kelly Velasco) – reported that there are grants available through the Corp of Engineers for addressing trails issues. Kelly has the lead in pursuing these grants and plans to have folks from the Corp of Engineers visit Lincoln and walk the trails.
- D. NEWS MESSENGER ARTICLES (Jim Datzman) – Jim reported that his next article is going to be on the Jimenez Tennis Courts – and he is in the process of arranging to interview some users.

9. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: January 17, 2018

10. ADJOURNMENT